

Virgil Mathis

Portrait by Jeanine Hill-Soldner



Veterans' Name: Virgil Mathis

Military Branch: United States Army

Rank: E-5

Time Served: April 1966 -April 1969

Awards, Medals, and Accommodations:
Marksman Medal, Signal Corp Medal, Certificate Award

Tour of Duty: Europe

Stationed: Ft. Polk, LA ; Belgium

Inventor Helping Disabled Veterans

Virgil Mathis is a US Army Veteran who served in Belgium with NATO, known as the North Atlantic treaty Organization Supreme HQ in Europe within months after he completed Army basic training at Fort Polk LA. His Rank was E-5 equivalent to 3 stripes or buck Sergeant but he was a Tech Sergeant in Communications and of the Air Defense Command.

Mathis was a Hawk Missile Technician and a Electronics Communications technician in the Army for Air Defense and other electronics Communications programs. The Hawk Missiles takes out low flying enemy Aircraft when a combat operations is underway at anywhere these missiles may be employed. Virgil served in the Army from April 1966 - April 1969.

After receiving an Honorable Discharge from the Army in April of 1969 Virgil used the GI Bill and went to the Coyne Electrical School in Chicago at night and Graduated in seven years with 3 trades Electrician and Electronics and Refrigeration Heating and Air conditioning. Technician worked at the Montgomery Wards Service Repair centers for 27 years as a TV Technician then became an Inventor

Currently Virgil is the Inventor of the Veterans Challenger Borders and Ports Homeland Security System that may be developed to allow over 900 Amputee or other Disabled Veterans to protect our Country from New Innovations that can be the new way to allow hundredths of Disabled Veterans to have jobs to continue Mathis, to Serve our country using new state of the art Digital Innovations that our Mayor of Chicago should know about.



Virgil would like to dedicate his portrait to his late brother Victor Odell Mathis, a Vietnam veteran who passed away in March 2009 at the age of 61.